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E.O. 11652: GDS
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REFS: A) CHJUSMAG 211316Z MAY 74; B) ATHENS 3024;
C) CHJUSMAG 171340Z MAY 74; D) ATHENS 2971;
E) ATHENS 2977.

1. IN VIEW OF WIDE AND SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS OF ANY MULTI-
YEAR FMS COMMITMENT TO GREECE, ESPECIALLY ONE OF
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MAGNITUDE AND DURATION SUGGESTED IN REFTTEL B, AND MANY

CONSIDERATIONS RAISED IN REFTELS C, D, AND E, THERE IS INTENSE HIGH LEVEL INTERAGENCY REVIEW OF GREEK REQUEST CURRENTLY UNDERWAY, AND WE EXPECT HAVE DOD TEAM IN ATHENS BY JUNE 3 TO NEGOTIATE. EVEN IN EVENT POSITIVE DECISION ON MULTI-YEAR CREDIT PROPOSAL IS REACHED, TIME REQUIRED FOR NECESSARY REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION WOULD NOT PERMIT NEGOTIATION OF GREEK PROCUREMENT OF A-7'S WITHIN TIMEFRAME SUGGESTED IN REFTEL A. MOREOVER, SALES PACKAGE NEGOTIATED AT THIS TIME WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO USG FINANCING COULD REPRESENT IMPLIED USG COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE CREDITS SUBSEQUENTLY.

2. MISSION MAY INFORM APPROPRIATE GREEK OFFICIALS THAT USG OF COURSE REMAINS SYMPATHETIC TO GREEK NEED FOR FORCE

MODERNIZATION AND WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITHIN LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY U.S. LEGISLATION AND BALANCE OF WORLD-WIDE PRIORITIES, BUT OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE MULTI-YEAR CREDITS IS UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME.

3. FYI: IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR ORDERLY PROCESS OF DECISION ON MULTI-YEAR CREDIT PROPOSAL, DEFENSE HAS EXTENDED LOA ON A-7'S TO JUNE 10. MISSION WILL BE ADVISED OF OUTCOME OF THIS EFFORT AND FINAL DECISION ON MULTI-YEAR CREDITS FOR GREECE ASAP. END FYI. RUSH

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